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Vice President Janet Neal and I met with Kathleen Austria at the Inglewood Courthouse to discuss the ACCESS Services Memo that went to the Board of Supervisors she will be forwarding our concerns to others within the office. Our letter has generated a lot of positive feedback from everyone who has seen it. I also understand that Ms. Shelley of ACCESS Services has asked to be a guest on our Radio Show the Disability Network.

As voted on last month, Commissioner Miller and I have, drafted a letter in support of Adult Education to the Los Angeles Unified School District Superintendent, Dr. John Deasy and the Board of Education. Thank you Commissioner Miller for your involvement.

Last week I had the pleasure of hosting our bi-monthly neighborhood meeting in my home, and this time I managed to have Ms. Erin Stennis from Supervisor Mark Ridley-Thomas's Office speak on a variety of issues pertaining to my local community. From her discussion, I learned that phone calls are all logged into a data base by topic and then funneled to an individual versed in a particular topic or subject and I have volunteered to assist with Special Needs Issues as they arise.

About a week and a half ago I had staff circulate an article that was in the LA Times relating to parking placard abuse in the City of Los Angeles. The two LAPD Officers, Sargent Dyer and Kimmi Porter will be here and representatives from the County Sheriffs Department at our April meeting to possibly compare how each department addresses proper placard use.

For our May meeting, I would very much like to have an abbreviated meeting, recess and reconvene to discuss goals of Commission and Commissioners.